Delay in Handing Over of Flats by DDA

508. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that actual handing over of flats/plots/shops is unduly delayed by the D.D.A. for many months/years after it has received full payment from the allottees;

(b) whether it also a fact that even after receiving the possession, the allottees find that essential services like electricity, water, approach roads or sewers remain to be provided or are not functioning properly;

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to remove these defects and for the future, improve the procedures and pinpoint responsibility on concerned erring officials with a view to awarding deterrent punishment; and

(d) whether Government propose to pay a penal interest of 18 per cent per annum if the plots/houses are not handed over within six weeks after the full payment is received by the D.D.A.?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) The possession letters are issued immediately after receipt of payment and on production of required documents within the stipulated period. However, on occasions possession letters could not be issued in respect of residential plots allotted in Rohini Residential scheme due to non availability of basic civic amenities.

(b) and (c) All the essential facilities are already available in most of the cases when the possession is handed over. However some cases external electrification and water supply may be in progress.

(d) There is no such proposal.

Disparity in Wages to Departmental Labour in FCI

509. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that disparity exists in the wages paid to the departmentalised labour employed at F.C.I. depots in Bihar, Orissa, Assam, U.P., Delhi and those employed by the FCI at Calcutta port and city godowns and their depots in West Bengal; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to revise the wage structure with a view to remove the disparity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On a writ petition filed by the FCI Workers Union, the Supreme Court gave judgement recently extending the same wages and benefits as being enjoyed by the departmental workers in ports and port city godowns to the FCI handling workers working in Bihar, Orissa, Assam, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi. The FCI will take appropriate action after examination of the judgement.

Setting up of Vanaspati Plants in the Country

510. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for setting up Vanaspati plants in the country; and

(b) if so, in which State and for what capacity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) and (b) This Department has recommended two applications for setting up of Vanaspati units in U.P. for a capacity of 15,000 MT per annum each,

one application in Nagaland for setting up of Vanaspati unit of a capacity of 15,000 MT per annum and one application for setting up of Vanaspati plant in Haryana for a capacity of 15,000 MT per annum have been recommended to the Deptt. of Industrial Development for issue of Letter of Intent. The Letters of Intent have not been issued so far.

Machine Stitching of Wheat and Rice Bags

511. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what efforts have been made for implementation of the policy of machine stitching of 100 per cent bags of wheat and rice procured by Food Corporation of India and other Government procuring agents all over the country;

(b) how much quantity has been actually machine stitched in the last procurement season this year;

(c) whether Government are satisfied with the results and if not what further steps are proposed to be taken to achieve 100 per cent machine stitching of bags with a time-bound programme; and

(d) by when this programme is likely to be fully achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) to (d) In view of the vast magnitude of price support operations involving about 8000 purchase centres run by Food Corporation of India and State procuring agencies for procurement of wheat and 18768 rice mills (as on 1.1.86) from whom levy rice is collected, it is not practicable to fix any target for machine-stitching of gunny bags containing wheat and rice procured. However, attempts are being made to extend machine stitching and incentives are being given to popularise this. The current maximum ceiling for double-line machine-stitching of wheat bags is 0.70 paise per bag and for levy rice it is 0.60 paise per bag. As such, machine-stitching of levy rice bags is voluntary. As regards machine-stitching of wheat bags, services of mandi labour contractors/kaccha-arthias have also been permitted to be utilised subject to the prescribed ceiling. A statement showing the progress of machine-stitching of bags in respect of levy rice and wheat during the current marketing seasons and previous seasons is attached. [*See* Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 15A]

दिल्ली/नई दिल्ली रेलवे स्टेशनों पर यात्रियों के लिये अपर्याप्त सुविधाएं

512. **श्रीमती सूर्यकांता पाटील:** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 8 जून, 1990 के "हिन्दुस्तान टाइम्स" में "ए नाइटमेयर फॉर रेल पेसेन्जर्स" नामक शीर्षक से छपे समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है जिसमें दिल्ली/नई दिल्ली स्टेशनों पर यात्रियों को पेश आ रही कठिनाइयों, इन स्टेशनों के रख-रखाव में कमियों तथा टिकटों की बिक्री में काला बाजारी का विस्तार से वर्णन किया गया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इन समस्याओं को हल करने के लिये तथा यात्रियों को आवश्यक सुविधाएं प्रदान करने के लिये सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं?

रेल मंत्री (श्री जार्ज फर्नांडीज़): (क) जी हां। छपा समाचार नई दिल्ली रेलवे स्टेशन के संबंध में है।

(ख) यात्रियों के लिए स्टेशन पर विभिन्न सेवाओं और सुविधाओं के अनुरक्षण पर निरन्तर निगरानी रखी जाती है। पीने के पानी की पर्याप्त व्यवस्था मौजूद है जिसमें गर्मियों के मौसम के दौरान पीने का ठन्डा पानी सप्लाई करने के लिए प्रत्येक प्लेटफार्म पर लगे हुए चार-चार जल शीतक भी शामिल हैं। उपयुक्त स्थलों पर समुचित संख्या में शौचालयों और मूत्रालयों की व्यवस्था की गयी है। स्टेशन पर सफाई बनाए रखने के लिए चौबीसों घंटे सफाई वाले तैनात किये गये हैं।

अमानती सामान पर लगने वाली पंक्ति को छोटा करने के लिए सामान जमा कराने की प्रक्रिया सरल बना दी गयी है और सामान लेने के लिए दो काउंटर परिचालित किये जा रहे हैं।

लाइसेंसधारी वेंडरों द्वारा निर्धारित दर से बहुत अधिक पैसा लेने की रोकथाम के लिए ट्रालियों/स्टालों पर दर-सूचियां प्रदर्शित की जाती हैं। निर्धारित दर से अधिक